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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on September 25, 2007 in connection with the above-identified Application.

The Office Action imposed a restriction by requiring that Applicants elect one of Group I (Claims 1-24 and 40-50), Group II (Claims 30-38, 55 and 56) and Group III (Claims 51-54).

Applicants elect, without traverse, the claims of Group 1, i.e., Claims 1-24, and 40-50).

Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue claims of at least the scope of the non-elected claims (i.e., claims 30-38, 55 and 56, and claims 51-54) in one or more related Applications.

An early and favorable communication is hereby earnestly requested. If the Examiner believes, after this Response, that the Application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants Representative collect at (508) 616-9660, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time which is required to maintain the pendency of this case. If there is a fee occasioned by this submission, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-3735.

Respectfully submitted,

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